

REMARKS

Claims 7, 10, 11, 14, 15, and 18 are pending in this application. By this Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312, Applicant AMENDS claims 7, 11, and 15. The amendments to claims 7, 11, and 15 have been made to correct a minor error contained therein. More specifically, Applicant added a period at the end of each of claims 7, 11, and 15.

Applicant respectfully requests entry of the above Amendment in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(a). It is respectfully submitted that entry of the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(a) is appropriate since (a) the Amendment is needed for proper protection of the invention and (b) no substantial amount of additional work is required on the part of the Patent Office. (MPEP § 714.16(a)).

In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that the foregoing Amendment be entered in the present application. If any fee is required for consideration of this paper please charge it to deposit account no. 50-1353.

Respectfully submitted,

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